

Keep winter at bay with Warm Homes Partnership funding

As winter sets in and freezing winds, frost and snow come to the county, Breckland residents who are struggling to pay their energy bills and keep their homes warm are being encouraged to check whether they may be eligible to receive help through Norfolk's Warm Homes Fund Partnership.

Breckland Council, alongside councils across Norfolk, are aiming to help more than 1,000 people across the county with funding towards the cost of putting in place better insulation and the installation of mains gas. It comes following the success of £3.1m funding bid to National Grid's Warm Homes Fund, which was led by Broadland District Council on behalf of Norfolk's districts. The improvements aim to help both renters and homeowners to efficiently heat their cold homes, which can have a significant impact on people's lives.

Cllr Gordon Bambridge, Executive Member for Growth at Breckland Council, said: "The aim is to help eligible people to access energy advice and support and to help those who do not have any central heating to put this in place at a reduced cost, which is important to their comfort, health and wellbeing. This is a fantastic initiative and we want to use this funding to help as many local people as possible, so I hope Breckland residents will explore how the Warm Homes Fund may be able to help them."

The Warm Homes Fund is aimed at people whose homes do not already have central heating installs, as well as those with underlying health issues and carers of vulnerable people. To find out if you or someone you know may be eligible for support under the scheme, contact Breckland Council on 01362 656 870 or visit www.breckland.gov.uk/whf